

## INTRODUCTION

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It is my pleasure to announce the first statewide Young Adult Summer Reading Program in Tennessee. The 2005 program has been a labor of love for a group of dedicated, creative librarians from across the state. In the attached pages you will find ideas designed to encourage lifelong learning and self expression. You may also access this manual in its online version at [www.state.tn.us/sos/statelib/p&d/](http://www.state.tn.us/sos/statelib/p&d/).

The Young Adult Summer Reading Program theme is “Find Yourself @ your library: Discover the Arts”. The artwork is provided by a young adult artist in the state. Participating libraries held individual art contests challenging the teens to enter their depiction of this year’s theme. The library entries were sent to the Tennessee State Library and Archives where the winning entry was chosen by the Young Adult Summer Reading Program Committee. All of the artists involved should be congratulated on their stellar work.

This Young Adult Summer Reading Program will allow us to continue to foster the love of reading that is already encouraged in our Children’s Summer Reading Program. Libraries can continue to enrich the reading habits of Tennessee’s young adults and support the foundations of the democracy in which these young adults will soon be participants.

The Summer Reading Committee as indicated on the following page worked diligently for several months to ensure a quality product for young adult’s program directors. Our deepest gratitude and appreciation go to this committee for all the work they did to make this manual extremely useful. In addition, I want to thank Robert Greene in the Publications Division of the Secretary of State’s office for his diligence and expertise needed for production of the program materials, and Amanda Jackson, Children’s Services Consultant in the State Library and Archives.

The success of the Young Adult Summer Reading Program depends on all of us in partnership with one another. Librarians, educators, community leaders, parents and young adults can use this manual of ideas to support a delightful center of learning and exploration in all our local public libraries.

**Please join us for our exciting “Find Yourself @ your library: Discover the Arts”  
2005 Young Adult Summer Reading Program!!!**

## **2005 Young Adult Summer Reading Program Committee**

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I would like to express my gratitude to those amazingly creative individuals who served on this year's Young Adult Summer Reading Program. It is the determination and support of librarians like you who have made this program possible. I am excited about the prospects of this initial year in the Young Adult Summer Reading Program, and I am certain it will be a great one. I would also like to extend my appreciation to Robert Greene, who tirelessly answered all of my questions. Thank you for your work and your patience.

Amanda B. Jackson, TSLA Children's Services Consultant

### **ARTWORK FOR "FIND YOURSELF @ your library: DISCOVER THE ARTS"**

The artwork for "Find Yourself @ your library: Discover the Arts" has been provided by young adult artist, Loren Phillips from Monterey, Tennessee. We would like to extend a special thanks to Loren for allowing us to showcase this work. We would also like to express our appreciation to the Tennessee Library Association's Children's and Young Adult Services Roundtable for supporting this artist through the production of the Young Adult Summer Reading Program posters, and to the Friends of Tennessee Libraries for the purchase of a plaque and certificate of appreciation for the young adult artist.

### **SPECIAL APPRECIATION FOR SUPPORT OF THE 2005 SUMMER READING PROGRAM**

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